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INFORMATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

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No. 6730—AVIII-4/2010-IPR.—In order to facilitate coverage of developmental activities of the State Government, two additional units were created at Berhampur and Bhawanipatna under the administration control of Deputy Director, I & P. R. (SD), Berhampur and D. I. & P. R. O., Kalahandi respectively during the year 1994.

With the passage of time and with introduction of different private T. V. channels to disseminate the developmental activities of Government and subsequent establishment of HPTs by Doordarshan at Bhawanipatna, these two T. V. units had limited scope for collecting news from the remote areas. On the other hand, required of additional T. V. units at the State Headquarter was felt more and more.

Subsequently, the Department took time-slot from Doordarshan and a weekly news magazines “Amakatha”, “Orissa Katha” is being telecast regularly. At least 3 units are required for day-to-day coverage of the programmes of VIPs. At Berhampur and Bhawanipatna these two units did not have much programmes to feed Doordarshan ; while the units engaged at State Headquarters feed 75% of the visuals and news to the Doordarshan, these units have little scope to perform. Later the Hon’ble OAT passed a direction to the State Government to gainfully utilise the man power of the two additional T. V. units. Accordingly, the employees of the two T. V. units have already been adjusted in other Offices/Units of this Department and the consequential vacancies have already been abolished.

After careful consideration of the facts and circumstances indicated above, Government have been pleased to abolish the additional T. V. Units at Berhampur and Bhawanipatna and hence the two units stand abolished with effect from issue of this notification.

By order of the Governor

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